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SUBJ: VENICE BRANCH OFFICE - STAFFING AND SERVICE

1. FOLLOWING ARE EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR (A) STAFFING
AND (B) SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY VENICE BRANCH OFFICE (VBO)
OF AMCONSUL TRIESTE.

(A) STAFFING: EMBASSY RECOMMENDS ONE CONSULAR OFFICER IN
THE 0-5 OR SENIOR 0-6 LEVEL AND THREE ITALIAN (LOCAL) POSITIONS
FOR VBO. OFFICER SHOULD BE EXPERIENCED IN ALL FACTS OF CONSULAR
WORK HAVING, IF POSSIBLE, SOME ADMIN EXPERIENCE; ABILITY TO
PERFORM UNDER WORKLOAD IMPOSED BY BEING ONLY OFFICER; ABILITY
TO MAKE ON-SPOT DECISIONS WITHOUT REFERRALS AND ABLE TO PERFORM
AS REPRESENTATIVE OF TRIESTE'S PRINCIPAL OFFICER AS OCCASION
DEMANDS. LOCAL POSITION BREAKDOWN IS ONE RECEPTIONIST,
TELEPHONE OPERATOR, SECRETARY, MAIL ASSISTANT, ETC.; ONE EACH
FOR SCS AND PPT WORK.

(B) SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED: VBO WILL PROVIDE FULL RANGE OF
SCS AND PASSPORT SERVICES WITH EXCEPTION OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. FEDERAL BENEFITS ACTIVITIES - LIMITED TO SUPPLYING
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FORMS AND REFERRING INQUIRIES TO TRIESTE.

2. DEPOSITIONS - TO BE DONE IN TRIESTE.

3. ACQUISITION/LOSS NATIONALITY - LIMITED TO SUPPLYING FORMS,
TAKING OATHS, PROVIDING INFORMATION AND REFERRING TO TRIESTE.

NO VISA SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED EXCEPT SUPPLYING APPLICATIONS,
INFORMATION SHEETS AND PROVIDING LIMITED ASSISTANCE IN NIV
REFUSAL/WAIVER CASES AS REQUESTED BY TRIESTE.

2. BEST BALL-PARK FIGURE ON WORKLOAD IS 2000 SCS CASES AND
1000 PPT CASES. OF COURSE, ONCE VBO OPENS AND FLAG IS FLYING
MORE BUSINESS WILL BE GENERATED. BUT FOR PRESENT, ABOVE FIGURES
REFLECT BEST GUESTIMATE.

3. ASSUME EUR/EX WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH CA/EX - SOMERVILLE
REGARDING ABOVE SINCE AMBASSADOR INTENDS TO DISCUSS WITH ASSISTANT
SECRETARY WATSON STAFFING AND SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED NOTED
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